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Serial No.:

09/685,077

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Online, Multi-Carrier, Multi-Service

Parcel Shipping Management

Determination of Ratable Weight for

Multiple Carriers

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Many of the references listed on the attached Forms PTO-1449 were cited in Office Actions issued for co-pending patent applications that are commonly assigned to the assignees of the abovereferenced U.S. patent application. Also listed on the attached Forms PTO-1449 are Office Actions issued for co-pending patent applications that are commonly assigned to the assignees of the abovereferenced U.S. patent application.

Reference 6 on the attached Form PTO-1449 (U.S. Publication No. US2004/0254808; Benrett et al.) is a co-pending application that is a continuation application of Application Serial Number al.) is a co-pending application that is a continuation application of Application Serial Number 09/684,865, which was filed October 6, 2000, which has been assigned to the assignees of the above - 1 -

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referenced application for which this Information Disclosure Statement is filed. The Brief Description of the Drawings, the Detailed Description of the Invention, and the Illustrative Embodiments sections, and the drawings of Reference 6 are substantially identical to the Brief Description of the Drawings, the Detailed Description of the Invention, and the Illustrative Embodiments sections, and the drawings of the above-referenced application for which this Information Disclosure Statement is filed.

Reference 18 on the attached Form PTO-1449 (U.S. Application No. 11/123,536; Bilibin et al.) is a co-pending application that is a divisional application of Application Serial Number 09/684,014, which was filed October 6, 2000, which has been assigned to the assignees of the above-referenced application for which this Information Disclosure Statement is filed. The Brief Description of the Drawings, the Detailed Description of the Invention, and the Illustrative Embodiments sections, and the drawings of Reference 18 are substantially identical to the Brief Description of the Drawings, the Detailed Description of the Invention, and the Illustrative Embodiments sections, and the drawings of the above-referenced application for which this Information Disclosure Statement is filed; a copy of pages 1-3 and 97-100 are provided.

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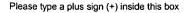
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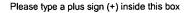
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